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OFFICE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

May 20, 2008

A meeting of the Town Council was held in the Horace T. Cahill Auditorium, Braintree Town Hall, on Tuesday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m.

Council President Dingee was in the chair.

Clerk of the Council, James Casey, conducted the roll call.

Present:

Leland A. Dingee, President

Charles B. Ryan, Vice-President

Harold J. Randolph Charles Kokoros John C. Mullaney Thomas Bowes Henry N. Joyce Ronald DeNapoli

Paul Dan Clifford (arrived at 7:35 p.m.)

Also Present:

Robert Aicardi, Braintree Forum

Dennis Tatz, Patriot Ledger

There was a moment of silence for all those serving in our armed services, past and present, and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

CORRESPONDENCE

Council President Dingee informed members of complaints from at-home viewers of Council meetings of not being able to clearly hear members as the speak and reminded members to speak directly into the microphones, not to have sidebar discussions, and not to bang on the table.

Mr. Michael Barbuto of 21 South Street provided Council members with copies of documents that relate to the proposed Holbrook Transfer Station.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Town Council Minutes of May 12, 2008

Motion: by Councilor Ryan **Second:** by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

Approval of Committee of Ways & Means Minutes of May 5, 6, 7, 2008

Motion: by Councilor Ryan by Councilor Mullaney

Discussion: by Councilor Joyce – typo on page 4 of May 5th, "me" to "be"

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to approve minutes as amended

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilor Kokoros acknowledged three students from the Highlands School who were recognized by the School Committee for their excellent essay's.

Councilor Bowes wanted to inform the residents in East Braintree that heavy construction equipment would be moving through local streets to reach the construction site at BELD. He asked residents to either call BELD or himself for additional information or of any complaints.

Councilor Bowes also wanted to inform residents that at the request of Skyline Drive residents, a meeting of the Skyline Management Company, Braintree Police and residents has been scheduled for June 12, 2008 at Skyline Drive. The exact time of the meeting has yet to be determined but will be communicated once it has been set.

Councilor Clifford announced that he will be putting together a newsletter on the proposed Holbrook Transfer Station and the impacts to the residents along South Street as well as the 100 Road Program the Mayor recently announced.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Ryan informed members that he left in their mailboxes a copy of Mayor Sullivan's 100 Road Program for their review. He asked the Council President to request a member of the Mayor's staff to come before the Council to update members on the specifics of this program. Council President Dingee directed the Clerk of the Council to notify the Chief of Staff and schedule this meeting at the next regular council meeting (June 17).

Public Hearing: 08 028 Mayor – Re-appropriation for Finance Consultant

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to open the public hearing

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

Council President Dingee asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak to the issue before them. Only members of the media were in attendance and no one came forward.

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to close the public hearing

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

Council Vice-President Ryan read the specifics of the request.

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to approve

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS

Council Mullaney provided council members with an update of the budget meetings being held by the Committee of Ways & Means.

08-029 Mayor: Re-appropriation for Veterans' Benefits (\$18,000)

Motion: by Councilor Ryan to hold a public hearing for 08 029

Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

08-030B Mayor: Re-appropriation from Overlay Surplus Account to Medicare Account (\$87,500)

Motion: by Councilor Mullaney to hold a public hearing for 08 030B

Second: by Councilor Ryan

Vote: Unanimous

New Business

Town Council referred the following items to the Committee of Ways & Means:

- 08-031 Mayor: Notice of Appointment Board of Registrars
- 08-032B Mayor: Reorganization Plan
- 08-032C Mayor: Revolving Fund

Motion: by Councilor Ryan Second: by Councilor Randolph

Vote: Unanimous

It was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, James M. Casey Clerk of the Council